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1. MESSRS. LAIRD D. ALLSHOUSE AND FRANKLIN B. KEENAN, INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS OFFICERS, INTERNATIONAL OPERATIONS, US CUSTOMS SERVICE, VISITED ROK BETWEEN SEPTEMBER 7 AND 12, 1973. PURPOSE OF VISIT WAS TO DISCUSS CONDUCTING TWO TWO-WEEK COURSES OF INSTRUCTION FOR ROK CUSTOMS INSPECTORS, SPONSORED BY THE CABINET COMMITTEE ON NARCOTICS.

2. ON SEPTEMBER 8, 1973, ALLSHOUSE AND KEENAN BRIEFED ON LOCAL SITUATION BY EMBASSY SECURITY OFFICER AND 8TH US ARMY PROVOST MARSHAL.

3. ON SEPTEMBER 10 ALLSHOUSE, KEENAN AND THE 8TH US ARMY PROVOST MARSHAL MET WITH MR. CHOE, UN-JI, ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF CUSTOMS, ROK. CHOE WAS RECEPTIVE TO PLAN AND INFORMED ALLSHOUSE AND KEENAN HE WOULD PRESENT THE PLAN TO THE DIRECTOR AND CONTACT THEM. ON SEPTEMBER 12, 1973 ALLSHOUSE AND KEENAN AND EMBASSY SECURITY OFFICER MET WITH MR. KIM, JIN-WOO, DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF SURVEILLANCE AND INVESTIGATIONS, OFFICE OF ROK CUSTOMS. KIM REPORTED ROK CUSTOMS BUREAU WOULD WELCOME INSTRUCTION AND REQUESTED SUCH BE CONDUCTED. A MUTUALLY AGREEABLE DATE OF OCTOBER 14, 1973 WAS ARRIVED AT AS THE START OF THE CUSTOMS INSPECTION SCHOOL.

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4. US CUSTOMS WILL TEACH TWO TWO-WEEK COURSES, THE FIRST

BEGINNING OCTOBER 15 AND THE SECOND ON OCTOBER 29, 1973,
AT THE KOREAN CUSTOMS FACILITY IN PUSAN, KOREA. PUSAN
WAS CHOSEN DUE TO THE PROXIMITY OF THE SEA AND AIRPORT.
APPROXIMATELY 25 ROK CUSTOMS INSPECTORS, ANALYSTS AND
INVESTIGATORS WILL ATTEND EACH SESSION. THE MAJORITY
OF STUDENTS WILL BE FROM THE INSPECTION AREA.

5. US CUSTOM REPORTED THAT THE COURSE OF INSTRUCTION
WILL BE ON ILLICIT DRUG DETECTION.
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